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LOIS LANE, LIKE SO MANY OF US, WANTED TO GO BACK TO NATURE! BUT, WHEN SHE DID-- SHE DISCOVERED THAT THE SIMPLE LIFE HID... A...
SERPENT IN PARADISE
I'M TRYING TO GET LOOSE— OF THIS PRIMEVAL OOZE, LOIS!
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BACK TO PARADISE!
JOIN ME IN MY CAVE IN METROPOLIS FOREST!
THAT GURU HAS SOMETHING!
FLEAS--PROBABLY, LOIS!
SUDDENLY...
PAY ATTENTION, CLARK!
I AM! TO THOSE THREE PICKPOCKETS MY X-RAY VISION'S DETECTING AT THEIR WORK!
UNSEEN BY ANYONE...
JUST REMEMBERED, LOIS! HAVE TO REPORT TO THE DAILY PLANET CITY DESK TO SEE IF THERE'S A STORY FOR ME!
YOU'RE RUNNING AWAY FROM THE STORY, CLARK! IT'S RIGHT HERE--WITH THE GURU!
SUPERMAN!
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THE MAN OF STEEL HURTLES DOWN AND WITH HIS SUPER-FINGERS...
LET'S SEE IF I CAN USE THIS MESH FENCE!
TO POCKET THESE PICKPOCKETS!
SUPERMAN'S CAUGHT US!
THIS CITY IS FULL OF CRIME AND GREED! ABANDON IT BEFORE YOU LOSE PARADISE!
WHAT A STORY CLARK MISSED!
ONE OF THOSE PICKPOCKETS' POCKETS MUST HAVE A HOLE IN IT! A CARD FELL FROM IT!
GORDON ABBOTT, III? HE'S THE FAMOUS ART COLLECTOR!
THE DAILY PLANET REPORTED THAT HIS APARTMENT WAS BURGLARIZED!
HMM-? SMELLS LIKE A STORY!
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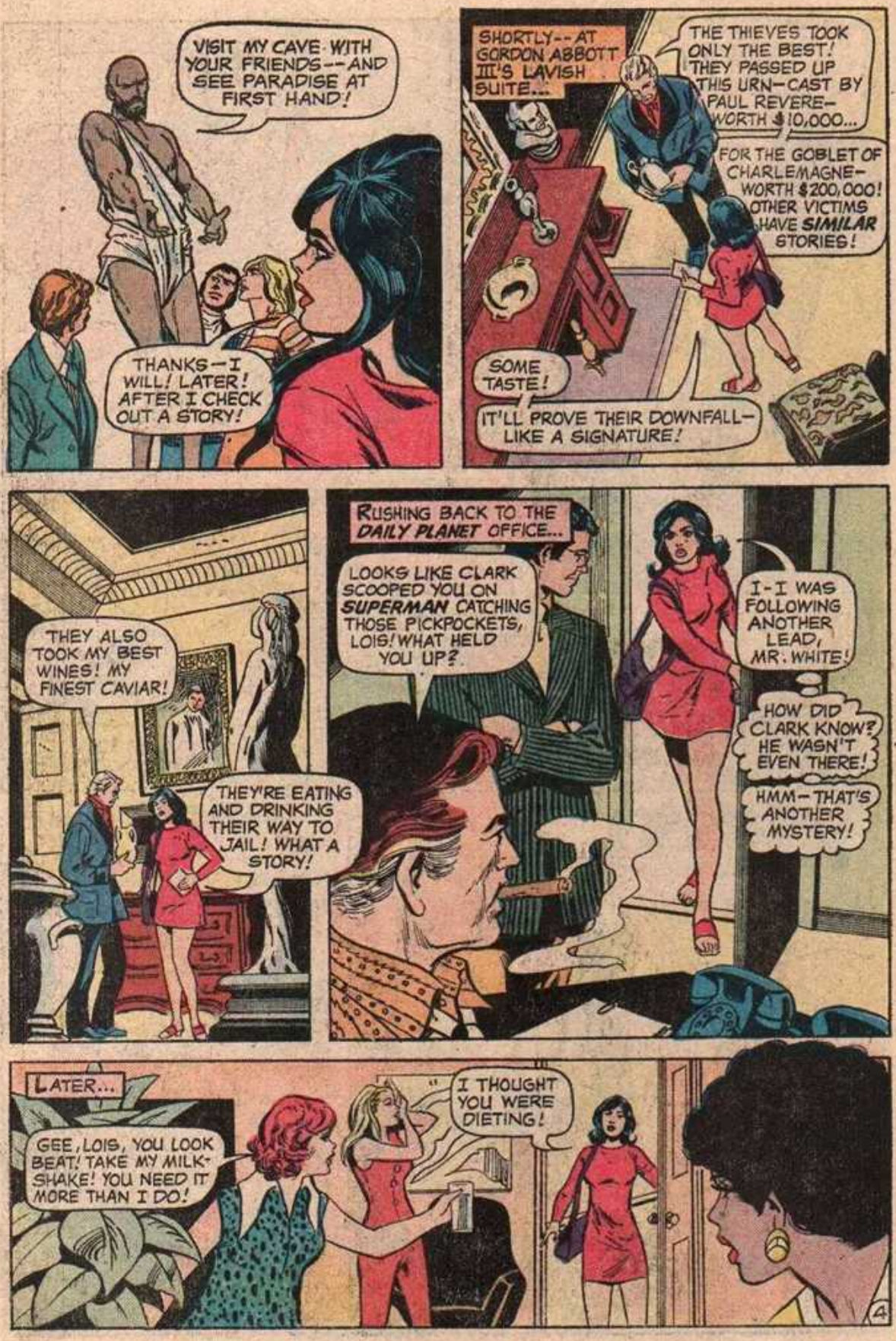
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THANKS—I WILL! LATER! AFTER I CHECK OUT A STORY!
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SOME TASTE!
IT'LL PROVE THEIR DOWNFALL—LIKE A SIGNATURE!
THEY ALSO TOOK MY BEST WINES! MY FINEST CAVIAR!
THEY'RE EATING AND DRINKING THEIR WAY TO JAIL! WHAT A STORY!
RUSHING BACK TO THE DAILY PLANET OFFICE...
LOOKS LIKE CLARK SCOOPED YOU ON SUPERMAN CATCHING THOSE PICKPOCKETS, LOIS! WHAT HELD YOU UP?
I-I WAS FOLLOWING ANOTHER LEAD, MR. WHITE!
HOW DID CLARK KNOW? HE WASN'T EVEN THERE!
HMM—THAT'S ANOTHER MYSTERY!
LATER...
GEE, LOIS, YOU LOOK BEAT! TAKE MY MILK-SHAKE! YOU NEED IT MORE THAN I DO!
I THOUGHT YOU WERE DIETING!
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SHE HAD A ROUGH DAY TODAY! AND SO DID I! I HAD TO MODEL A FUR COAT FOR FOUR HOURS- UNDER HOT LIGHTS!
MY DAY IN THE PET SHOP WAS AWFUL TOO! THE ARMADILLO GOT LOOSE!
STUFF IT WITH RICE AND I'LL EAT IT!
WHAT WE ALL NEED IS TO GET BACK TO NATURE! A GURU INVITED ME TO HIS CAVE! TO SAMPLE A TASTE OF PARADISE! LET'S GO TOMORROW!
GREAT IDEA!
I HOPE YOUR NATURE MAN LOOKS LIKE TARZAN!
THE NEXT DAY...
WHAT'S CAUSING THE DELAY? THIS TRAIN HAS BEEN STALLED FOR HALF AN HOUR!
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LATER...
THIS IS THE LIFE!
AND I'M GETTING GREAT EXERCISE! AN HOUR'S HIKE BURNS OFF 400 CALORIES!
SNIFF-SNIFF! SOMETHING ELSE IS BURNING!
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CHOKE-CHOKE! A FLASH FIRE-WE'RE SURROUNDED!
SOME CARELESS CAMPER MUST HAVE DROPPED A TOASTED MARSHMALLOW! COUGH-COUGH
WHEN THEY FIND US-WE'LL ALL BE TOASTED! COUGH-COUGH
OVERHEAD-ATTRACTED BY THE BILLOWING FIRE...
GOT TO FIND THAT ESCAPED SNAKE BEFORE IT CRUSHES SOME CAMPER TO DEATH.
LOIS AND HER FRIENDS-TRAPPED!
I'LL USE THAT HOLLOW LOG IN THAT RIVER TO COVER LOIS AND HER FRIENDS WITH A WET BLANKET!
WITH MY SUPERBREATH I CAN MAINTAIN THE WATER PRESSURE NECESSARY TO PUT OUT THE FIRE!
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W-WE'RE NOW BEING HIT BY A FLASH FLOOD!
WHOOSH
SORRY I GOT YOU WET PUTTING OUT THAT FIRE!
HI— SUPER-FIREMAN!
SUPER-MEDDLER IS MORE LIKE IT!
I WAS ONLY TRYING TO HELP YOU—
I'M TIRED OF YOUR SUPER-INTERFERING! WE GIRLS ARE HARDIER THAN YOU THINK! LEAVE US ALONE!
THE GURU!
WELCOME! SUPERMAN ISN'T NEEDED IN PARADISE!

YOU HEARD THE GURU!
SUPERMEN SPOIL PARADISE!
IF THAT'S THE WAY YOU WANT IT, LOIS!
COME!
FOLLOW ME, LADIES!
SHORTLY...
WHY, THIS IS DELICIOUS! BUT WHAT ARE THESE BROWN ROOTS? THEY TASTE FAMILIAR? BUT I CAN'T QUITE PLACE THEM?
JUST A LOWLY PLANT!
SEE YOU LATER—IN PARADISE!
'BYE!
WHY NOT? JUST FOLLOW THE TRAIL WEST! YOU CAN'T MISS IT!
UH... DIG UP MORE? IMPOSSIBLE!
THOSE ROOTS ONLY GROW IN ONE PLACE IN THE FOREST--ON A LEDGE AT THE END OF THE 15-MILE TRAIL!
MMMMM! THEY'RE FABULOUS. WHERE CAN WE DIG UP MORE TO TAKE BACK TO THE CITY?
WE DON'T MIND THE HIKE!
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SINCE WHEN DO THEY HAVE RADIOS IN PARADISE, LOIS?
IT'S THE NEWSPAPER WOMAN IN ME! I WANT TO KEEP TRACK OF WHAT'S HAPPENING BACK IN METROPOLIS!
AND IN METROPOLIS TODAY ANOTHER ROBBERY OF ART TREASURES FROM JINXED 999 RITZ DRIVE. THE CROWN OF KING GHENZI VALUED AT 50 MILLION DOLLARS...
ANOTHER ROBBERY?
BUT THE THIEVES ARE BEHIND BARS! WHOEVER IS MASTERMINDING THESE UNIQUE ROBBERS—IS STILL AT LARGE!
GIRLS I CAN'T MAKE THE HIKE.
I'VE GOT TO GET BACK AND COVER THIS STORY—BEFORE CLARK SCOOPS ME ON IT AGAIN!
NOTHING DOING, LOIS! THIS IS OUR VACATION! I CAME TO THE WOODS TO LOSE WEIGHT—YOU CAME TO RELAX!
NO COPPING OUT!
YOU'RE RIGHT! THERE WILL BE OTHER STORIES! LET'S GO! ON TO PARADISE!

WE AREN'T TURNING BACK! WE'RE GOING TO PROVE THAT WOMEN ARE JUST AS UNAFRAID AS MEN!
OWW! PARADISE HAS THORNS!
AND-- POISON IVY!
HELP! I FELL INTO QUICKSAND!
WE'VE GOT TO MAKE A HUMAN CHAIN!
GRAB MY HAND-!
TRYING TO-LOIS!
A BOA CONSTRICTOR'S GOT A STRANGLE HOLD ON LOIS!
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JUST THEN— FROM HIS CEASELESS PATROL...
NEVER MIND ME-- SUPERMAN! GET HER OUT FIRST!
SUPERMAN— FREE LOIS!
YOU'RE OUT!
BUT MY WEIGHT'S PULLING ME IN!
SUPERMAN— IF YOU DON'T GET FREE OF THAT QUICKSAND—
YOU'VE SEEN THE LAST OF ME!
I'M TRYING TO GET LOOSE— OF THIS PRIMEVAL OOZE!
I'LL USE HEAT VISION ON THE SNAKE TO MAKE YOU TOO HOT TO HANDLE, LOIS!
I'M FREE!

CAN'T GET FREE! I'LL HAVE TO TUNNEL MY WAY OUT THROUGH THE BOTTOM!
SO LONG!
SUPERMAN!
HE'LL MAKE OUT, LOIS!
HE'S SUPERMAN!
I-I HOPE SO...
JUST A LITTLE FARTHER, GIRLS!
LOOK--THERE'S THE LEDGE WHERE THE GURU SAID THOSE DELICIOUS ROOTS GREW!
WAIT FOR ME, GIRLS!
I'LL LOOK FOR THEM MYSELF!
LOIS! LOOK OUT!
THE LEDGE IS CRUMBLING!
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LOIS! ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
JUST BRUISED!
WHY DID THAT GURU SEND US ON A LONG AND DANGEROUS HIKE FOR NOTHING!
THAT LEDGE WAS BARE!
LET'S GO BACK TO HIS CAVE—AND ASK HIM!
WHAT IF THE GURU'S CAVE IS BARRED?
THERE ARE NO LOCKS IN PARADISE!
SUDDENLY... LOIS IS STARTLED BY—
WHAT'S A TIN CAN DOING IN PARADISE?
THUNK
CAVIAR—IN PARADISE?
AND TRUFFLES!
TRUFFLES! THAT'S IT! I KNEW THE GURU'S SIMPLE ROOTS FROM THE FOREST TASTED FAMILIAR!
HE SENT US TO THAT LEDGE TO GET RID OF US! WHY?
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LOOK! THE STOLEN GOBLET OF CHARLEMAGNE!
HE'S THE MASTERMIND!

YOU ESCAPED MY TRAP—I SEE! NOW YOU'RE GOING TO DO A LITTLE WORK IN PARADISE!
WHUP WHUP
WHUP
I HEAR A HELICOPTER! MAKING YOUR GETAWAY?

AREN'T YOU AFRAID TO LOOT PARADISE?
LOAD MY HELICOPTER!

YOU'LL LIVE ONLY AS LONG AS YOU WORK! TIRED OF LIVING?
NO—JUST TIRED OF FAKES LIKE YOU!

SUDDENLY CATAPULTING FROM THE SKY...
SUPERMAN!
POW
POW

YOU TRAPPED ME— WHILE SUPERMAN'S SKYJACKING MY LOOT!
BUT YOU WON'T LIVE TO LAUGH AT ME!
POW
POW
YOU'RE THE REAL SNAKE IN PARADISE!
AHHGHH-
SUPERMAN!
COMING, LOIS!
SOON AS I CRASH-LAND THIS CHOPPER!
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DON'T WORRY ABOUT THAT BOA, LOIS! I FOUND OUT IT'S CIRCUS-TRAINED!
IT WILL HOLD THAT CROOK UNTIL THE POLICE ARRIVE!
WHAT A STORY!
THIS IS ONE TIME I'M REALLY GOING TO SCOOP CLARK KENT! UNLESS--?
UNLESS WHAT, LOIS.
SOMEDAY--I'M GOING TO FIGURE OUT HOW CLARK DOES IT!
LET ME KNOW WHEN YOU DO, LOIS!
HE HAS A MYSTERIOUS WAY OF SCOOPING ME ON STUNTS YOU PERFORM--WITHOUT HIM EVEN BEING ON THAT SCENE!
IMPOSSIBLE!
POLICE
THE END

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...UNTIL SHE RISES, TOTALLY UNAWARE THAT HER PERSONALITY HAS SPLIT -- AND HER DARK SUBCONSCIOUS SELF HAS TAKEN COMPLETE CONTROL OF HER...
...SHE WALKS IN BEAUTY THROUGH A SECRET CORRIDOR... TO A FORGOTTEN THEATRICAL COSTUME SHOP... IN THE ABANDONED BROWNSTONE ADJACENT HER APARTMENT... TO CHANGE INTO A GREEN BARBED COSTUME...
...TRANSFORMING HER INTO THE RAGING NYMPH OF THE NIGHT!
VIIP
VIIP
WE'VE GOT THE THORN BOXED!
WE'LL CLOSE THE LID ON THAT WILD WOMAN- WITH LEAD NAILS!
POWW-
KPOWW--
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FROM HER UNIQUE ARSENAL, THE STINGING SIREN SNATCHES A UNIQUE THORN...
VIIIP
VIIIP
VIIIP
WH-WHERE'S THAT CRAZY CAT--?
C-CAN'T SEE--!
POWW
JUSTICE IS HANDICAPPED BY A BLINDFOLD--
IT'S ONLY FAIR THAT I DO THE SAME TO GOONS LIKE YOU!
JUST TO EVEN THE ODDS AGAINST HER!
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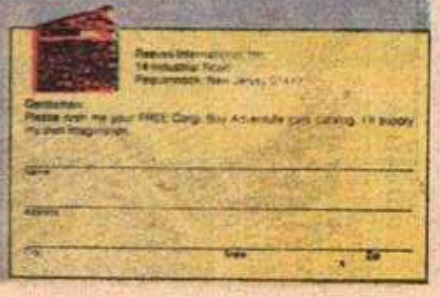

AS DETECTIVE DANNY STONE, FORMER PARTNER OF ROSE (AND 'THE THORN'S) MURDERED FATHER' RACES OUT OF HIS PROWL CAR...
THE POLICE DEPARTMENT DOESN'T NEED VIGILANTE JUSTICE OPERATING IN THIS TOWN, THORN!
JUST MAKING A CITIZEN'S ARREST, DREAMBOAT!
UNLESS YOU WANT TO STOP FOR FUN AND GAMES--
WHILE A PAIR OF BUZZARDS ON THE POLICE WANTED FILES--
SWIM AWAY TO FREEDOM?
TURN OFF THE HEAT, THORN!
ADMITTING I TURN YOU ON?
HALT-YOU TWO! HALT! OR I'LL SHOOT!
KPOW
I'LL SEE YOU LATER-- THORN! OFFICIALLY!
KPOW
I CAN'T WAIT-- HANDSOME!
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AS THE THORN RACES THROUGH THE JUNGLE OF THE NIGHT FILLED WITH THE OUTCRIES OF THE HUNTED AND THEIR HUNTERS...
HELP!... HELP--!
THORN!
PLEASE HELP THAT POOR YOUNG MAN-- WHO WAS TRYING TO SAVE ME FROM THOSE MUGGERS WHEN I TOOK MY DOG OUT FOR A WALK--
RUN-- GRANNY--
AND DON'T STOP FOR ANYTHING UNTIL YOU'VE CALLED THE POLICE!
WEIGH ANCHOR, SAILOR-- YOU'RE IN STORMY WATERS!
WHRU
MP
SO YUH WANNA PIECE OF THE ACTION--THORN?
I'LL GIVE YUH THE WHOLE DEAL!
I'LL SQUASH YUH LIKE A BUG-- YUH FLIPPED-OUT DOLL!
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KLUNGGG
POWW
SSSSSSS
WH-WHERE'S THAT DAFFY DAME--?
HERE!
ZAPPP
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YUH GOT NO PLACE TO GO NOW, THORN!
I'M GONNA PUT A CREASE IN YOUR SKULL--
A MILE DEEP!
LEMME STRIP THE SKIN OFFA THIS CRAZY CAT!
WHRUNGG
VRUNNGG

YOU FORGOT A CAT HAS NINE LIVES!
KRUUUNCH

MY GOD-- WHAT DID THEY DO TO YOU?
GRANNY WENT FOR THE POLICE-- THEY'LL CALL AN AMBULANCE-- YOU'LL BE ALL RIGHT SOON, HANDSOME!
TOO... LATE...

YOU'RE THE BRAVEST MAN I KNOW TACKLING THAT WHOLE GANG ALL BY YOURSELF--
WH-WHAT'S THIS--A-- A MASK?

I WAS... BORN THIS WAY... THORN--
WITH A FACE... THAT BELONGS... IN A FREAK SHOW--
THAT'S WHY... I WORE A... MASK--
SO PEOPLE SHOULDN'T TURN AWAY... IN DISGUST... LIKE... YOU'RE DOING... NOW--

WOULD... ANY WOMAN... WILLINGLY KISS... A FREAK... LIKE ME?
WOULD... YOU-- THORN?
DON'T LIE... TO... A... DYING... MAN--
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HERE'S THE MORNING NEWS TO WAKE YOU, FOLKS!
BUT-- LET ALLISON N. AINSWORTH, THE MULTI-MILLIONAIRE RECLUSE TELL YOU IN HER OWN WORDS!
LAST NIGHT THE THORN SAVED MY LIFE!
I'VE INSTRUCTED MY LAWYERS TO PLACE ONE MILLION DOLLARS AT THE METROPOLIS BANK IN HER NAME IN GRATITUDE!
ALL SHE HAS TO DO IS CALL FOR IT IN PERSON!
THE THORN'S A MILLIONAIRESS!
I WONDER WHEN SHE'LL CLAIM HER FORTUNE?
ROSE FORREST DOESN'T KNOW IT-- BUT SHE'S A MILLIONAIRESS TOO-- IF SHE EVER DISCOVERS THAT THE OTHER SIDE OF HER SPLIT-PERSONALITY IS-- THE THORN!
THE END
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THE BONEYARD

R-145

We could have *sworn* LOIS LANE #126 was perfect in every way . . . and that was our *first* mistake! So, as your letters pile up, we console ourselves with a time-honored dictum: *We're only human!*

Dear Boneyard:

I'd like to ask you a question. What's with the dog on page two of LL #126? Animals cannot be hypnotized, not by subliminal suggestion, and *especially* not by words flashed on a screen. (Dogs can't read, or haven't you noticed?)

—Karl Merris, San Diego, California

Dear Karl:

It's not the dog we're worried about—it's our proofreader! *How a mistake like that ever got by him is* beyond us! *(And you, Mr. Merris, have your dog-pound of flesh. Hope it gives you a new leash on life.)*

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Dear Mr. Bone:

In LOIS LANE, #125, "Death Rides the Wheels," SUPERMAN says that his x-ray vision destroyed Von Zorn's roll of film. As a professional photographer, I must *object*. After film has been developed, it cannot be destroyed by light, let alone x-rays. If mistakes such as these were corrected, your stories would be much more credible.

—Steven Shaber, no address given

Dear Steven:

That's two in a row for which we have no substantive defense. Would you believe that Supes has something against (ahem!) x-rayted films? (Ouch!!)

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Dear Jeff:

In LOIS LANE #126, how could Danton miss knowing that Dingle—on page 15—wasn't Dingle and, in reality, Lois herself? If you'll look closely at panel three on that page, Dingle isn't wearing gloves. Wouldn't Danton notice the hands were those of a lady, and not Dingle?

—Mary and Florence Poon
San Francisco, California

Dear Mary and Florence:

Ah ha! *We gotcha on this one! If you look closely at the preceding pages, you'll notice that Lois (dressed as Dingle) keeps her hands out of view—either behind her back or in her pockets—until she is ready to strike Danton and his rotten crew. So, it looks like we win this round*—hands down!

Dear Boneyard:

It's really sad when one tries so hard for a perfect issue and then *whammm;* somebody pulls a boner. I'm referring to issue #126 of LOIS LANE—the THORN story. The plot was good, and the story itself touching, *but*—at the end of the feature, Rose notices some 'black stuff' on her hands; this, supposedly from a coal mine. Only how could Rose, in her THORN identity, get coal dust on her hands when she wears long, shoulder-length gloves??

—Tom Mitchell,
Cedar Rapids, Ia.

Dear Tom:

Another boo-boo regarding gloves! Tell ya what—we'll forgive the Poon sisters if you forget this little goof. OK?

Well, we're still shooting for a perfect issue. But should *you* find any boners, send them to

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—Jeff Rovin, Boneyard Ed.

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THE BIG BULLY! I'LL GET EVEN SOME DAY
OH DON'T LET IT BOTHER YOU, LITTLE BOY!
DARN IT! I'M SICK AND TIRED OF BEING A SCARECROW! CHARLES ATLAS SAYS HE CAN GIVE ME A REAL BODY. ALL RIGHT! I'LL GAMBLE A STAMP AND GET HIS FREE BOOK!
BOY! IT DIDN'T TAKE ATLAS LONG TO DO THIS FOR ME! WHAT MUSCLES! THAT BULLY WON'T SHOVE ME AROUND AGAIN!
THERE'S THAT BIG STIFF AGAIN, SHOWING OFF IN FRONT OF GRACE AND THE CROWD. WELL, IT'S MY TURN THIS TIME!
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